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First Named Inventor	Masayuki Shida, et al.
Group Art Unit	1745
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ENCLOSURES (check all that apply)☒ Transmitted herewith is Response to August 26, 2003 Office Action☒ The fee has been calculated as shown below:

(1) FOR	(2) CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	(3)	(4) HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	(5) PRESENT EXTRA	(6) RATE	(7) ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	12	-	26	0	<input type="checkbox"/> x \$9.00 <input type="checkbox"/> x \$18.00	\$0
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	1	-	3		<input type="checkbox"/> x \$43.00 <input type="checkbox"/> x \$86.00	\$0
	APPLICATION AMENDED TO CONTAIN ANY MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS NOT PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR.			<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> x \$145.00 <input type="checkbox"/> x \$290.00 ONE TIME	\$0
	TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT					\$0

☒ Applicant petitions the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for responding to the Office Action dated August 26, 2003 by one month(s) for a fee of \$110 so that the period for response is extended to December 26, 2003 under 37 C.F.R. § 1.321.☐ The amount of \$_____ for the Terminal Disclaimer under 37 C.F.R. § 1.321 is included in the enclosed check.☐ The amount of \$_____ for the Amendment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.312(b) is included in the enclosed check.☒ The enclosed credit card payment form to charge the amount of \$110 covers the total claim fee and other applicable fees.☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the extension fee and any additional fees which may be required, or to credit any overpayment to Account No. 19-3140. **A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed.****SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT**14. ☒ Customer No. 26263Dated: December 19, 2003Christopher P. Rauch
Christopher P. Rauch, (Registration No. 45,034)**CERTIFICATE OF MAILING**

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